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FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS' GUILDS—Since the last report, another Guild has been formed—this one in Wilmington, Delaware, under the Chaplaincy of Rev. Francis J. Desmond. The officers welcome this addition to their ranks, and are confident that the new Guild will be an inspiration to the Catholic physicians of Wilmington.

Word has also been received from Dr. James K. Latchford of the recent formation of a Guild in Toronto, Canada. It is hoped that this is only the beginning of the establishment of many such Guilds in the Dominion, and that an entente cordiale shall be developed between the Catholic physicians of both countries.

MANHATTAN GUILD—The regular fall meeting was held on December 8th, at the New York Foundling Hospital. The speaker of the evening was Robert F. Sheehan, M.S., M.D., Professor of Psychiatry, Graduate School, Fordham University, his subject being "Remarks on Psychoneuroses." The presentation was most thorough and held the attention of the many members present. Through the courtesy of the Sisters of the Hospital, the meeting adjourned to a social session and collation.

BROOKLYN GUILD-The tary, Dr. Frank E. Mallon, reports that on Saturday, November 27th, in the Chapel of Mary Immaculate Hospital, Jamaica, Long Island, the Right Reverend Thomas E. Molloy, Bishop of Brooklyn, celebrated the fourth annual Mass of Requiem for the deceased Catholic physicians of the Diocese. About one hundred physicians and a number of lay persons were present. Dr. John M. Scannell was Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements. At the conclusion of the breakfast, which was graciously provided by the Sisters of St. Dominic, the President, Dr. Peter J. Dulligan, thanked the Bishop for his continued interest in the Guild's activities and asked that he address the members The Right Reverend Bishop present. told the doctors that he looked forward to meeting them at these functions and hoped he would be able to do so for many years. He lauded the noble character of the medical profession and stressed the fact that, as far as practical Catholic physicians were concerned, their ministrations were almost of a priestly character. The intimate personal nature of the physicians' service was such, said the Bishop, that medical men could never be governmentally regimented without both patient and physician losing that professional "something" which lasts only as long as the physicianpatient relationship is maintained. concluding his brief remarks, the Right Reverend Bishop urged the members present to do everything possible to improve their technical skill, as well as their personal sanctity, so that they would be able to wield both a professional and a moral influence in the community in which they practiced.

NEW ORLEANS GUILD—Dr. John Signorelli, the Secretary, reports that the Guild is growing. At the last meeting, October 20th, there was a large attendance of members and 39 non-members, representing the local clergy and friends of Guild members. At this meeting, the feature of the evening was a presentation on the subject of "Birth Control," which was very well received and freely discussed from the floor.

SHANGHAI GUILD—Relief remittances have been received in whole or in part from the following Guilds: Belleville, Manhattan, New Orleans, Philadelphia. A prompt response is hoped for. He who gives quickly, gives double. Checks or money orders from all interested may be sent to Dr. J. A. Dillon, 1065 Lexington Avenue, New York, N. Y., marked Shanghai Guild Relief.